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Honorable William H. Pauley III
United States Senior District Judge
Southern District of New York

**Re: *United States v. Nicholas Ofei Cofie*,
19 Cr. 226 (WHP)**

Dear Judge Pauley,

I write to request that the Court order the United States Pretrial Services Office in the Southern District of New York to release Nicholas Ofei Cofie's passport to him, or to a representative from my office. I understand that Pretrial Services will only release this passport pursuant to a Court order. In January 2020, Mr. Cofie was sentenced to 3 years of probation. We thus respectfully request that the Court order the release of his passport. I have conferred with AUSA Daniel Wolf and I understand that the government does not object to this request.

Sincerely,

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Application granted.

SO ORDERED:


WILLIAM H. PAULEY III
U.S.D.J.

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